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## COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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**Richard K. Iizuka**  
Chief Deputy

June 30, 2009

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER/WEIGHTS AND MEASURES: APPROVAL  
TO AMEND A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO PROVIDE PEST  
AND INVASIVE WEED MANAGEMENT ON CALTRANS PROPERTY  
ALL DISTRICTS (3 VOTES)**

**SUBJECT**

The Department of Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures (ACWM) provides pest and invasive weed management services on California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) property within and adjacent to the County pursuant to a Cooperative Agreement. This amendment extends the terms of the existing Cooperative Agreement No. 07A2257 for an additional five (5) months to November 30, 2009, at no change to the total monetary amount.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

Approve and instruct the Agricultural Commissioner/Director of Weights and Measures to sign the attached amendment to Cooperative Agreement No. 07A2257 with Caltrans authorizing the Department of Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures (ACWM) to provide pest and invasive weed management services on Caltrans property within and adjacent to the County at no net County cost. This amendment extends the Cooperative Agreement period of performance to November 30, 2009.

### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Caltrans has requested that ACWM provide pest and invasive weed management services on freeways and other Caltrans property within and adjacent to the County.

Cooperative Agreement No. 07A2257 was originally approved by your Board on January 15, 2008, for the amount of \$1,200,000. This action would extend the term of the original agreement for an additional five (5) months.

Since the early 1980's, your Board has approved cooperative agreements with Caltrans for similar services.

#### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

This action supports the County's Strategic Plan Goals of:

- Goal No. 1 (Operational Effectiveness): This five month extension will allow ACWM to complete the terms of the Cooperative Agreement.
- Goal No. 3 (Community and Municipal Services): Management of invasive weeds and burrowing rodents along roads and freeways improves and protects the infrastructure of Los Angeles County.
- Goal No. 5 (Public Safety): Management of weeds along Caltrans roads and freeways provides firebreaks and reduces visual obstructions to motorists. Control of harmful rodents reduces the likelihood of diseases, and removal of feral bee colonies, provides safety for Caltrans workers and others.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

Adequate appropriation will be made available in Fiscal Year 2009/2010 to cover Cooperative Agreement costs. Reimbursement for pest and invasive weed control services will be made to ACWM by Caltrans. This Cooperative Agreement is 100 percent revenue offset. There is no change to ACWM's net County cost.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONAL/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

It is within the scope of the mission of ACWM to help prevent the establishment and reduce the spread of harmful and invasive weed, insect and vertebrate pests. The terms of the Cooperative Agreement shall be extended until November 30, 2009. The Cooperative Agreement has been approved as to form by County Counsel.

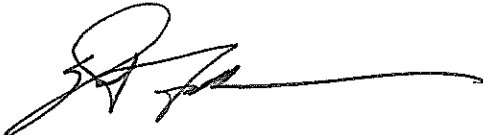
**CONTRACTING PROCESS**

Not applicable to this contract amendment.

**IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES**

ACWM has sufficient staff and equipment to perform the services. The recommended Board action will not impact the current levels of service.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Floren', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

KURT E. FLOREN  
Agricultural Commissioner  
Director of Weights and Measures

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Attachment

c: Chief Executive Officer  
Acting County Counsel  
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors  
Auditor-Controller

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL  
COMMISSIONER/WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

AMENDMENT  
TO  
COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT

THIS AMENDMENT is entered into this 30th day of June, 2009, between the State of California, acting by and through its Department of Transportation, referred to herein as, "**CALTRANS**", and Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures, hereinafter referred to as, "**COUNTY**".

**RECITALS**

1. **CALTRANS** and **COUNTY**, pursuant to Streets and Highways Code Section 130, are authorized to enter into a Cooperative Agreement for the control of Rodent Pests, Noxious Weed and Africanized Bees, affecting State highways within Los Angeles County.
2. Los Angeles County has agreed to implement the Control of Rodent Pests, Noxious Weeds, and Africanized Bees, hereinafter the Project, subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement affecting State Highways within the jurisdiction of Los Angeles County.

**IT IS MUTUALLY AGREED**

The parties hereto mutually agree to amend Cooperative Agreement Number 07A2257 dated January 29, 2008, as follows:

1. **Section III- Paragraph 2, Period of Performance, is amended to read:**  
  
Work under this Agreement shall begin on **January 29, 2008** contingent upon approval of this Agreement by **Caltrans**, and will terminate on **November 30, 2009**, unless extended by amendment.
2. All other terms and conditions of the original Cooperative Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement  
Amendment on the day and year first herein above written:

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER/  
WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

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Pat Gamoning  
Contract Officer

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Agricultural Commissioner  
Director of Weights and Measures

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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*Deputy County Counsel 6/15,*